

A few updates to yesterday's email.

February's precip (for the Northern Sierra 8 station index) has crossed the average for February mark, with another week to go!

This morning, Burney (el. 3,200' – Shasta Co.) picked up 1" of snow accumulation. Colfax weather observer (el. 2,400' – Placer Co.) started getting a mix of rain and snow at 8am. It's snowing at Mt. Diablo. Ft. Seward's picked up about 2 and a quarter inches of rain the last 24 hours.

The valley wind advisory that had been in effect overnight was allowed to expire at 4am.

The best chance for any thunderstorms would be this afternoon, rather than Friday. By tomorrow, the heights rebound pretty quickly. That means it may warm up just enough to inhibit the instability that creates severe weather.

There is rain in the forecast for Saturday/ Saturday night/ Sunday morning as well as those systems discussed previously. This one won't spread into southern California, but the Feather River Basin could get another inch, with the north coast picking up an inch to an inch and a half.

The big development is a colder pattern for Monday and Tuesday's CA storm. The models are showing that snow levels will be much lower than this system we're in right now. They may come in at 3,500' across the Feather, then drop to 1,500' as the front exits; an even colder forecast than what was predicted for this front. More low snow across the Sierra and likely into SoCal. The many days ahead of wet and cold weather may not be supportive of the many spring buds that have already appeared.

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